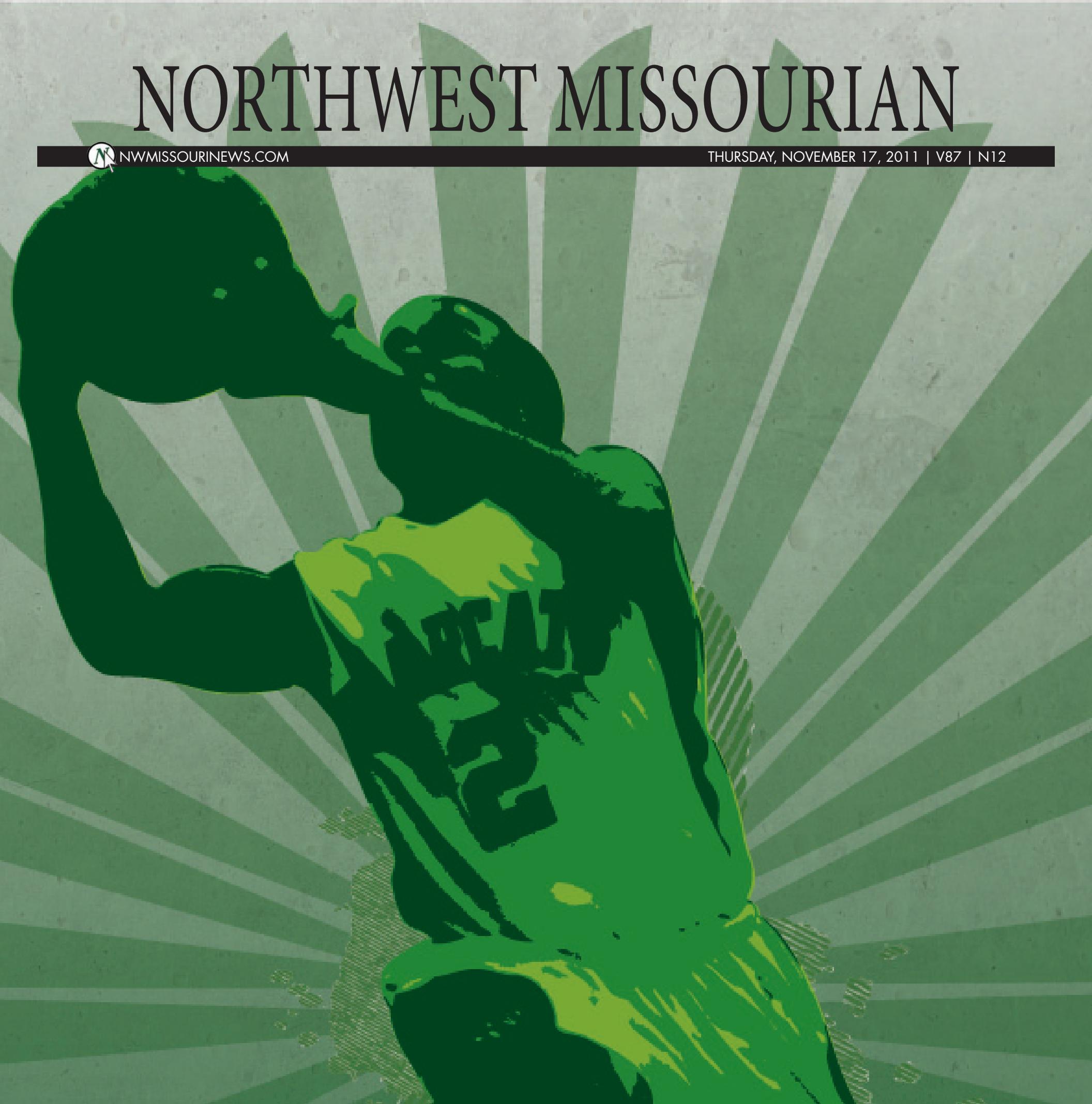


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'Cats just want to win

JASON LAWRENCE

Sports Editor

Head men's basketball coach Ben McCollum can finally start to teach his team something, as he enters his third season on the job.

"We spent so much time my first and second year trying to develop a culture of work and effort," McCollum said. "We don't have to do that because the effort is already there. I don't have to coach hard work. Now I'm just coaching the x's and o's and getting people in the right spot."

McCollum thinks the Bearcats have the tools to get back to the MIAA Tournament at the end of the season, something the team has failed to do the last three years.

Northwest returns a wealth of experience to try and get back to the postseason.

The Bearcats have seven returning players in addition to a pair of guys that redshirted last season.

Also back in the mix is junior guard Bryston Williams, who transferred before last season to play football.

The returners are led by second team All-MIAA point guard DeShaun Cooper, who led the 10-16 team in scoring last season at 16.7 points per game.

McCollum said he is still working on hammering out a starting lineup and an eight to 10 man rotation out of the 13 players he has.

"I don't even have a starting eight or nine," McCollum said. "I've got a lot of confidence in the 13 guys I have and that's a strength and a weakness, I guess."

"I've got to decide, because it's unfair to everyone if I don't decide who's going to be in that rotation and it starts with the starting lineup."

One of the team's priorities will be finding a secondary scorer behind Cooper to replace the points Elijah Allen put up last season.

"I think the key is once we find that person, everyone knows who that person is," McCollum said. "Guys need to understand what



FILE PHOTO | NW MISSOURIAN

Junior guard DeShaun Cooper shoots over a Mules defender last season.

they can and can't do because if you start playing toward your weaknesses, all of a sudden you can't highlight your strengths."

Two of the players vying for that role, are transfer junior guards Justin Clark and DeAngelo Hailey.

"I think both of them are drivers first. Both of them can really shoot it though," McCollum said.

The 'Cats knocked off Division I Missouri-Kansas City 66-62 Nov. 11 and had four players score in double figures, led by Clark's 15 and Cooper's 13.

Northwest opened the season 2-0, defeating Waldorf College 74-43 Tuesday night at Bearcat Arena.

Cooper and junior transfer guard Alex Sullivan led the 'Cats with 15 points a piece. Sophomore Dillon Starzl chipped in 11 points in the win.

With a couple of games already under their belts, the 'Cats will have to find an identity quickly before conference play begins on Nov. 30.

"I just want to win the games we're suppose to, sneak a few others out and hopefully make that tournament," McCollum said.



FILE PHOTO | NW MISSOURIAN

Senior guard Abby Henry drives past a Missouri Southern defender in the 'Cats' 75-64 win last season at Bearcat Arena. Henry is the leading returning scorer and one of two returning starters for Northwest.

Women have tough act to follow

CHRIS SCHOONOVER

Chief Sports Reporter

Fresh off their first-ever Final Four appearance, the Northwest women's basketball team comes into the season with a new group of faces and a new style.

The Bearcats lost three seniors including the program's first All-American, guard Gabby Curtis, MIAA Defensive Player of the Year post Kyla Roehrig, and MIAA third-team selection post Genry Dietz, all starters.

Following last year's historic post-season run, Northwest's expectations are as high as ever outside of the program.

Northwest was chosen to place fifth in the MIAA by the coaches, and is ranked 14th in the nation by the USA Today/ESPN poll.

"The kids that played last year have expectations like we had last year," head coach Gene Steinmeyer said. "It's really unfair to this group, because it's a totally different group and totally different make-up. There's some unfair expectations, but that's the way sports are. We have to make the best of it and see how far we can succeed."

The Bearcats are led by their three seniors, guard Abby Henry, guard Shelly Martin and post Tara Roach.

Being so guard oriented this

season, look for the 'Cats to push the ball early and often.

"We obviously aren't as big as we were last year, so it's going to come down to outrunning them and outrebounding them," Roach said. "We are really quick and a really good running team. We have good ball movement and are a good rebounding team."

Steinmeyer expects last season's success to help their confidence, but knows there is still work to be done.

"In truth, when we take the floor it's going to be a new team," Steinmeyer said. "We are going to have to learn how to put these pieces together and not last year's pieces."

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According to PBS, in a given year 3.5 million people fall victim to homelessness due to various reasons. The Panhellenic Council of Northwest is raising money today through Saturday for the City Union Mission in Kansas City by having participants live out of a car for two days in the parking lot outside of the J.W. Jones Student Union.

Homeless awareness taught on campus

MARY CONNORS

Chief Reporter

For many, it began with sudden job loss, a debilitating injury, loss of a loved one or maybe even drug addiction. In a given year, PBS reported that about 3.5 million people, whose lives may include the above scenarios, fall victims to homelessness and are left to experience the continuing perils of a broken social and financial support system.

Their economic battle may have started with life altering situations, but it can end with raising awareness and offering a helping hand. The Panhellenic Council of Northwest encourages students and residents of Nodaway County to partake in the campaign against homelessness by offering donations from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. today, Nov. 17 through Saturday, Nov. 19, outside of the J.W. Jones Student Union for National

Hunger and Homeless Awareness week.

Northwest sororities and fraternities have the opportunity of picking an event to host every fall, that will encourage student involvement and benefit a good cause. This year, the chapters' governing organization, the Panhellenic Council, partook in planning a two-day activity that allowed a member from each chapter to remain in a car parked outside the Union, to represent the homeless that often find shelter in their cars.

Once inside the car, the students are only allowed to leave for class, food and hygienic reasons, spending at least 45 hours in a car provided by Maryville's local Tri-State Ford. The members will then collect food, clothing and money from Northwest students and members of the Maryville community.

Felicia Howe, Panhellenic Council's vice president of phi-

lanthropy, could hardly contain her enthusiasm as she described the council's involvement and expectations.

"This is something that our executive board is passionate about being a part of, and we look forward to doing more with this in the future," Howe said. "We've done a lot to get the support of other organizations and with all the positive feedback; we hope that it will be a success."

Proceeds from the event will go to the City Union Mission in Kansas City. The council, along with the participants of the fundraiser, will then visit the City Union Mission in January, providing meals for at least 100 people.

"Raising awareness and telling people what they can do to help will help the homeless in our area; I actually wasn't aware of the homeless here,"

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City to search for new face to fill void

TREY WILLIAMS

Editor-in-Chief

After five years of service from City Manager Matt LeCerf, Maryville will have to start the search for a new face after LeCerf announced last week that he will resign, effective Dec. 26.

"I think he's done a pretty good job for the city, especially the last few years when the council has wanted to expand what they do," Mayor Ronnie Moss said.

LeCerf will take his overall municipal experience of 10 years to Frederick, Colo., with his wife and two kids.

Frederick has a population lower than Maryville's, at 8,900 people, but according to LeCerf, it is still growing. He said he is looking forward to becoming a part of a growing city.

"I am excited about the opportunities the town of Frederick has to grow while continuing to be a first-class town with an extremely high quality of life for its residents and visitors," LeCerf said. "This is a great opportunity, professionally, to



MARYVILLE CITY MANAGER MATT LECERF looks over minutes in the city council meeting on Monday at the Maryville Administration Building.

grow with the community, and, geographically, that is a location that my wife and I would like to live."

With his new job in Frederick, LeCerf said he is expected to fulfill the same roll, just under a slightly different title.

As for Maryville, however, the title is the same; it is just the person carrying it who is changing. According to Moss, they have already begun the search and are advertising

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Group petitions to vote on legalization of marijuana

ERIC MIZENER

Missourian Reporter

"Puff, puff, pass" is a common phrase around marijuana and cannabis supporters and smokers. If you are unfamiliar with the phrase, it refers to taking two "puffs" of the drug and then passing it on to another smoker. If one group has their way, the third word, pass, may have a different meaning come the November 2012 elections. Instead of referring to the literal passing of the drug, it may refer to the passing of drug legislation.

Show-Me Cannabis is an association of individuals who are looking to bring cannabis off the criminal market and into a legal and regulatory market, similar to alcohol. They contend that cannabis prohibition is a "failed policy" that would better be served by government regulation and private businesses.

On Nov. 7, Show-Me Canna-

bis got permission from the State Secretary to begin distribution of two petitions to get their measures on the ballot for the 2012 election. A minimum of five percent of signatures from registered Missouri voters, in six of Missouri's nine different districts, is needed to get the measures included on the ballot. These signatures will need to come by May 2012 to be considered for voting in November.

Approval of the measures would make marijuana legal for residents over the age of 21 in Missouri. It would also approve the medical use of marijuana for anyone under the age of 21. Additionally, anyone in prison for a nonviolent cannabis related crime would be freed, and the offense would be expunged from his or her records.

Amber Langston, Show-Me Cannabis campaign director, says that a full majority of Americans,

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KIRA NORTROP | NWMISSOURIAN

Members of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity were drenched in support of cancer Nov. 11. Dakota McCrady, Lucas Davidson, Caine Birkenholz and Sean Neel stand in the cold while water balloons were thrown at them.

Winter commencement speaker announced

AMANDA SCHULTE-SMITH

Managing Editor

The University announced Tuesday that Jeff Borchardt, Northwest alumnus and president and chief executive officer of the Kansas City Board of Trade, will speak to graduates and their families during the winter commencement ceremony Friday, Dec. 16.

Borchardt was appointed president and CEO of the Kansas City Board of Trade in 2004 and is a member of the KCCT Executive Committee. He joined the KCCT in 1982 as a commodities investigator and auditor.

He has served in various positions throughout his career with KCCT in areas of compliance, regulation, finance and operations. He was promoted to vice president

of compliance in 1987, senior vice president and chief financial officer in 1994, and executive vice president and chief operating officer in 2000.

Northwest's winter commencement ceremony begins at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16, in Bearcat Arena. Doors open to guests at noon. Shuttle service will be provided from the parking lot west of the Ron Houston Center to the circle drive in front of the Lamkin Activity Center.

Due to the number of graduates, tickets are required for admission to the ceremony. Graduates will receive six tickets. To accommodate guests unable to attend the ceremony, Northwest will offer a live online stream of the ceremony, which will be accessible at www.nwmissouri.edu/live.

Weekend Events

Friday, November 18

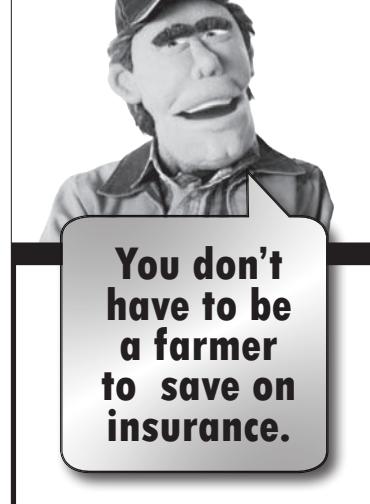
- DeLuce Gallery: Tintype Mosaic Exhibit by Marydorsey Wanless Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building
- Geography Awareness Week
- Tower Choir performs at Nebraska Music Educators Association conference Lincoln, Neb.
- Woman's Basketball at Winstead-Reeves Classic Lamkin Activity Center
- Walk-in flu shot clinic 8 a.m. at Wellness Services
- Teacher Work Sample Day—ALL student teachers 9 a.m. at J.W. Jones Student Union
- International Education Week: How do you say hello in Arabic? 12 p.m. at J.W. Jones Student Union
- International Education Week: Study abroad photo essay contest awards 12:30 p.m. at J.W. Jones Student Union

Saturday, November 19

- DeLuce Gallery: Tintype Mosaic Exhibit by Marydorsey Wanless Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. Community Service
- Women's Basketball at Winstead-Reeves Classic Lamkin Activity Center
- Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Neo Soul 10 a.m. at J.W. Jones Student Union
- Football playoffs vs. Missouri Western 12 p.m. at Spratt Stadium

Sunday, November 13

- DeLuce Gallery: Tintype Mosaic Exhibit by Marydorsey Wanless Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building
- The Holiday Hunt 11 a.m. at The Hangar Theater
- "The Tempest" by William Shakespeare 2 p.m. at Ron Houston Center for the Performing Arts
- American Civil War Program—

KEVIN BIRDSELL | NWMISSOURIAN
Junior Micheal Putthoff plays trumpet at the homecoming game on Oct. 22 at Bearcat Arena. The band will preform musical numbers from bands like Queen.

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Wellness Center to promote no smoking

DALTON VITT

Chief Reporter

The Wellness Services is taking part in the nationwide Great American Smokeout from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at the Bell Tower.

The Great American Smokeout is a nationwide event that promotes smoke-free lifestyles.

At Northwest, it also encourages students to adhere to the smoke-free policy on campus.

"The general premise behind it is mostly promoting cessation," Wellness Services health educator Jennifer Kennymore said, "and to raise awareness about the dangers of smoking."

The program is organized and run by the Bearcat Peer Educators.

"We've got a group of about 10 or 15 students that are really dedicated to health and wellness, and they do a lot of our programming for us," Kennymore said.

During the four hour timespan, several different things will take place in and around the J.W. Jones Student Union.

"Basically, we'll be out by the Bell Tower, shouting out statistics and raising awareness about the smoke-free policy," Kennymore said.

"At the same time, there will be more of an educational component inside (the Student Union). They will talk about the actual

ingredients in cigarettes, smoking cessation and our smoke-free policy."

At 7 a.m. this morning, small flags were placed in the ground around the Bell Tower. Each flag represents 100 people who have died due to secondhand smoke complications in the last year.

Another portion of the Smokeout is dedicated to raising awareness about some little-known aspects of Wellness Services' resources.

"We are also really trying to promote the fact that we do have tobacco cessation materials here at the Wellness Center," Kennymore said. "We have nicotine patches and gum for free that we can provide to students."

"If they want to come in and talk to somebody about quitting, that's always available. We have access to a lot of free resources that students aren't aware of."

Kennymore believes that the Great American Smokeout is a very important event for Wellness Services because it gives them a chance to educate students.

"It's important that (students) are aware of the potential health consequences with cigarettes," Kennymore said. "It's important we educate them and raise their awareness. We're always interested in the overall health and wellness of our students."

Marching band concert to feature classic rock hits

ALEX RASH

Missourian Reporter

The Bearcat Marching Band will perform in the Charles Johnson Theater tonight.

Audiences can expect to see a variety of acts that resemble the band's halftime show. There will be new visual and sound effects to boost the performance, as well as musical numbers from "Queen," "Boston" and "Smashmouth."

"Everyone coming to the show should expect a little bit of music and a lot of laughter," sophomore Kyle Beverage said.

Graduating members of the band will be recognized that evening, accompanied by the alma mater.

The marching band has made some transformations this year that have grabbed the audience's attention. The band has traded their traditional shakos in for red ball caps in honor of the late Scott Bostwick.

"All around, being in band this year has been a great experience," Beverage said. "We have done a lot more shows compared to last year."

The band has also expanded their

"If you can't go to this and have a good time, then transferring to Mo. West is a great option."

Doug Overmier

musical numbers to more contemporary choices, like the popular song "Party Rock Anthem." They have accompanied their music with dance moves that motivate the whole crowd to get involved.

"We wanted to play more to the students' side this year," Director of Bands Doug Overmier said. "I can't go on enough about how much we love the students here (at Northwest)."

Tickets for the event are not required, but donations are welcome.

"If you can't go to this and have a good time, then transferring to Mo. West is a great option," Overmier said.

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Tours gain revenue for humane society

TREY WILLIAMS

Editor-in-Chief

Former KXCV employees, Sharon Bonnett and Gayle Hull, are gearing up for their second year hosting their Women With a Mission Tours in an effort to assist the New Nodaway Humane Society.

Women With a Mission sets up tours yearly through Collette Vacations, one state-side and one international. Twelve percent of the revenue gained goes to the humane society. This will be Hull and Bonnett's second year hosting the tours. This year, the tours will take travels to either the Netherlands, Belgium and Paris during the summer, or San Francisco and northern Cali-

fornia next fall.

"Once we retired, we thought it would be just a fun tour," Bonnett, the tour coordinator, said. "(Helping the shelter) is just a passion that I've always had. They are always in need, and I thought the tours would be a creative and innovative way to do that."

Last year, the tours netted about \$7,800, according to Bonnett. Cindy Nelson, the New Nodaway Humane Society shelter manager, said it is awesome what Hull and Bonnett are doing to help the shelter.

"It provides us with financial assistance," Nelson said. "It helps with the operation and to take care

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AMBER WEBSTER | NW MISSOURIAN

The Nodaway County Humane Society will receive a donation from Women With a Mission. The Humane Society takes care of and offers abandoned dogs and cats for adoption.

Hangar hosts holiday craft showcase

JACKI WOOD

Chief Reporter

Finely handcrafted items from local artisans will be featured during an exclusive shopping event this weekend in Maryville.

To kick off the holiday season, the third annual Holiday Hunt experience will be held on Sunday at The Hangar.

"This is such a great place to find unique, hand-crafted items in all price ranges, from jewelry to pottery to accessories to home décor," Sonja Hengeler, co-organizer of the event, said.

"It's a great way to start off your holiday shopping."

Hengeler said the event has a record number of artisans showcasing their skills this year, from jewelry and bags to pottery and collage, cupcakes and fudge to lotion and soap. And new this year, regional wine tasting.

"We are always looking for ways to expand and show people that art isn't just about paint and pa-

per," she said. "And each year, we keep growing with a few more vendors and artisans each year."

This year's featured artists include Maryville resident Ken Nelsen and Keila Hernandez, Uttumwa, Iowa.

Nelsen turns wooden vessels into beautiful and unique wood creations and has been recognized numerous times for his craft and skill, Hengeler said.

Hernandez's art includes pieces made from polymer clay which have been showcased at numerous regional art and craft shows.

There will also be several demonstrations this year, she said, including jewelry welding and yarn spinning.

Holiday Hunt will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. this Sunday at The Hangar in Maryville.

Admission will be \$1 to benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters of Nodaway County. The Hangar will also offer meal and drink specials.

For more information, visit holidayhunt-maryville.blogspot.com.

Nodaway Historical Society commemorates Civil War

KERI PETERSON

Missourian Reporter

"Divided Loyalties," an exhibit honoring the 150-year anniversary of the Civil War will be held from 2-4 p.m. Nov. 20 at the Nodaway County Historical Society.

The Missouri State Archives travels with the exhibit across the state, and will provide documents that describe legal and political circumstances of the time. The display covers the Civil War from the area surrounding Order Number 11, a military order that forced people to move away from the Missouri/Kansas border, where there were many difficulties at the time, Technical Services Assistant Cathy Palmer

said.

Bob Bohlken, distinguished faculty emeritus, has put together a group of people to do the role-playing, including Tom Carneal, professor emeritus of history, Gayle Hull, Christy Tayler, and Mike and Liz Mandrick.

"It's kind of an event just to come and wander around and talk with the different people playing roles from that time period," Palmer said. "They'll be dressed in uniform and mingling with the people."

Bohlken will tell a Civil War story from the perspective of Mr. McQuidley, who was sheriff of Nodaway County during the Civil War,

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Fashion Faux Pas Ugg Boots

Whether you are wearing them with sweats, jeans or - God forbid - shorts, these overpriced slippers have got to go. Men, should you choose to partake in the supposed trend of Ugg boots, be advised that anyone around you has permission to remove your man card stat.

Reverse Sweats

It doesn't matter who started it or why, but the idea that sweatpants and sweatshirts can be worn inside out is completely ridiculous. People, they put the soft stuff on the inside for a reason. Keep it that way. Unless you enjoy looking like a drunk or a person styling the quickly dressed walk of shame, keep the soft stuff where it belongs, on the inside.

Leggings as Pants

Ladies, they were designed to go under skirts or pants should the weather get too cold. That's it. Leggings are not, and will never be, a substitute for pants, so stop trying. We know you didn't just come from dance class; you can't fool us. Use leggings for what they were meant for this winter, under dresses, for warmth under some actual pants, or in your bedroom as pajamas.

Is that pink I see?

With the unfortunate trend of feathers as a hair piece still running around, men and women have tried to outdo the ugly by dying the tips of their hair a neon color. Pink, purple, green or blue, it would be best if you just stuck to the natural colors. This isn't the '90s people, keep the hair dye to a natural color. Your employers will thank us later.

Greek Overload

It's one thing to be proud of your organization. It's another thing to show it by wearing every letter-covered item of clothing you have in the same outfit. If you plan on wearing your letters, make sure to keep them on one item of clothing per outfit. The exposure to too many Greek letters at one time can confuse and bewilder your fellow students. Don't embarrass yourself, keep it simple.

Northwest Fashions

Keeping it Classy

AMANDA SCHULTE-SMITH

Managing Editor

With the cool breeze of fall rushing through the Northwest campus, The Missourian would like to offer some advice before you cash your paycheck and hit the malls over Thanksgiving break. Here are some of the best and worst fashion tips for the season.

Cardigans

Classy, cozy and chic, you can't go wrong with a cardigan. Paired with any v-neck, button down or dressy t-shirt, the best part about them is that they go with most anything. You can mix a solid color sweater with a plain shirt for a classic plain look or find a patterned one to add some spice to your outfit. The best thing about cardigans is that with so many styles and colors, you can find one that matches your personality exactly.

Fashion Do's

Button Downs for the Win

Guys and Girls, the solid color button down is about to be your best friend for fall and winter fashion this year. This classic shirt can be worn casually or dressed up and won't break the bank if you are looking to clean up the wardrobe without going broke. Mixed with the perfect accessory or shoe, you can put your own style into it while staying trendy.

Peacoats

It's winter in Maryville; you're going to need a coat. If history has shown you anything, it's that a simple peacoat is the way to go for the stylish man or woman. The peacoat is slimming, comfy and dressy for those last-minute dress-up days you have over finals week. Never forget that while you may find these coats a little pricier, the trend will last a lot longer than the one that might fit from last year.

Scarves

Ladies, treasure your scarves. This chic fashion accessory can make any outfit pop - dressy or casual. Not to mention, with the weather getting colder, it is also a practical fashion accessory. As long as you don't mix your browns with blacks, scarves are a must.

Riding Boots or Fashion Boots

As opposed to its possessed cousin the Ugg, riding boots give you a clean look that won't get wet in the snow. A good pair of black or brown fashion boots can last you well into February, making the small investment well worth your while for a fashionable winter.

DESIGN | WENDY WHELAN

WHAT'S HOT

R.E.M. Greatest Hits

Shortly after releasing *Collapse* into Now in March 2011, the legendary group announced they are finished making music and touring. To help aid the broken hearts of college hipsters and former college hipsters, the band released a new greatest hits album. Part Lies, Part Heart, Part Truth, Part Garbage is a 30 track collection of their best stuff from 1982 until the present.

Childish Gambino

Donald Glover's fourth album, *Camp*, is currently number two on the iTunes chart. Drake's *Take Care* is at number one. The Derrick Comedy Sketch artist is slowly proving there is no mode of entertainment he can't conquer.

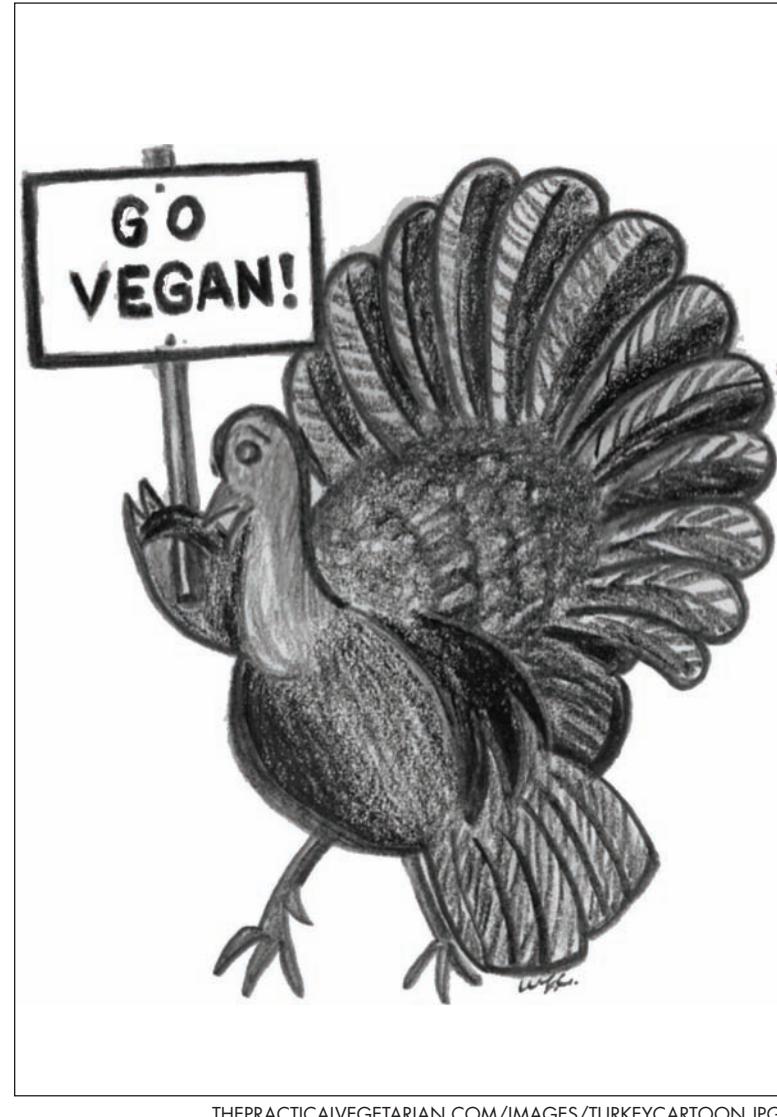
WHAT'S NOT

Facebook hacking

Many individual's Facebook news feeds were flooded with images of acts of violence and porn. The group, called Anonymous, is the same group responsible for hacking the Playstation Network last summer. This is part of a plan to kill Facebook. Good luck with that.

NBA Season

This year's season is set back even farther passed Dec. 15 because the Players Association and NBA bicker worse than the cast of *Gossip Girl*. The players are planning on filing a lawsuit against the owners, which pretty much killed the season. Looks like all fans can do is sit back and hope this disagreement is solved before the entire league gets destroyed.



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THE STROLLER

Your man complains about fake vegans

If our generation goes down as the one that made "Facebooking" a verb, I'd say we made a major accomplishment. Congrats to us.

I was Facebooking this girl, and being very careful to delay my responses to her so it looked like I was doing something more important than shaping my bellybutton lint into farm animals. It must have worked because she really started opening up to me. We had a heart to heart, or a <3 to <3. I almost got a *smooch* after I ; at her, which would have made me be like XD.

She told me she was a vegan. After I asked her if she knew that Jesus loves her, she reminded me that vegan is not the same as Pagan. (I still have my doubts). I asked her if Thanksgiving with her family is more awkward than moist handshake, and her response was so insanely moronic, I gave her a g2g.

She goes (and I'm not even loljk right now), "Well no, I'm only vegan most days and not during special occasions."

Oh, okay. So, you're against the killing of cute and furry animals

except when it isn't convenient for you? Makes sense. I actually agree. It's cruel and heartless to eat animals, but on the 3rd Thursday in November, those turkeys deserve to die, the filthy devils.

It's kind of like saying, "I'm against violence and hatred, but I could just kill that man-where Justin Bieber right now, and his baby momma." Or "Can you believe that some people in Africa eat animal poo-poo? That's disgusting. Hey, let's go to Grill Works." Or even "Rape is wrong, and I wanna tell you all about it in my bedroom upstairs in my frat house. Here, have another drink."

But back to my hippie of a honey. We ended up having a little bit of hanky panky. Online, that is. And it was hot. You should've seen her face. It was like :o. Because you see, I'm opinionated most days. But this girl was a hottie with the body. Every-one makes exceptions.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

Faculty accompany Madrailer in performance

JACOB TAYLOR

Missourian Reporter

Northwest was graced with the dulcet tones of talented singers, along with the warmth of skillfully played low brass instruments and amazing pianistic skill on Thursday. These musicians played in a recital accompanied by Charles Badami, a professor in the music department, in the Charles Johnson Theater. This show was well played, bar a very few moments, and reflects the talent and hard work put in by the participants.

The Madrailer, as the singing group is named, was directed by Brian Lanier and accompanied by Badami. The low brass ensemble was directed by Ernest Woodruff and opened the show.

The first piece played by the low brass ensemble was "Royal Fanfare" by Robert Langenfeld. It was a good piece to open the recital with, as it displayed strong, bright tones and a sense of majesty. The composer was born in 1990, so it is no wonder that the piece did not quite encompass the grandeur with which royal court pieces from Baroque musicians are imbued. Especially because it was played by low brass and lacked the piercing effect that trumpets could provide, the piece was not quite as impactful as the name implied.

Despite this, it was well played by the ensemble and excelled in conduct by Woodruff.

The second piece by the ensemble, "Suite for Trombone Ensemble," was in a different style

than the previous number. It was referred to in the program as a lyric piece and lived up to this description; it featured a melody line which mimics singing. The beauty of the piece was well communicated by the players, but it seemed that one person could not quite get in tune. Although very slight, a dissonance could be heard within the otherwise exquisite piece.

After the ensemble finished their pieces, Badami took the stage. Although more widely known for his accompaniment skills, this pianist displayed more than his fair share of talent in solo pieces.

The final piece, "Regina coeli (Cavalleria Rusticana)" by Pietro Mascagni, was a great closing number and featured such themes as expressed by the translated

line "Let us sing praises to the risen Lord, today ascended to the glory of heaven!" After this piece was completed, the crowd gave a standing ovation, and the recital ended.

The night reflected the excellence that has come to be the standard for the Northwest Madrailer and the other performers in the recital. All the musicians who played this night put in the time and effort to truly touch the audience. The players certainly accomplished this; the audience, comprised of avid music enthusiasts and extra credit seeking students alike, gave two standing ovations in recognition of the amazing musical performances that occurred. The musicians of Northwest have truly excelled in this recital.

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OUR VIEW: FIXING POVERTY

Change starts with you

In case you missed it, America is not the poorest nation in the world. That title, depending on who you talk to, belongs to Somalia. We have debt, but our debt-to-gross domestic product ratio isn't at 165 percent, like Greece's. No, we're just the country who could eradicate its own homelessness and (arguably) joblessness. But we don't. Here's what is separating us from that near-Utopian state:

Government aid will not end poverty in America. Social programs were created for temporary use only, and strengthening welfare, food stamps or the Women, Infants and Children food allowance program will only increase reliance on them. Plus, government aid is more partisan than philanthropic; any real progress made will be reversed when the next president takes office.

Reliance on the trickle-down theory

will not end poverty in America. Yes, the occupants are correct: the gap between the rich and poor is wider than ever. In fact, the income of that top 1 percent grew an astonishing 275 percent between 1979 and 2007, according to the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office.

This next one ought to hit home: apathy. When asking Northwest students what can be done about poverty, homelessness and joblessness in Maryville, the first five answers were, "I don't have an opinion," or "I don't pay much attention to politics." People, this isn't about politics. This is about taking responsibility for your community, your neighbors and your nation.

Please, do your part. As you feast on tables full of food and empty your wallet on Black Friday sales, think of those who don't have those opportunities. And then, do something about it.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Life between ignorance and tolerance

At this time of year, it is good for a multicultural society to reflect on both the positive and negative implications of Thanksgiving. The Pilgrims arrived on this continent in order to practice their religion with the freedom of their conscience. They lived out an example of cooperation with a native people of a different culture and religion and became the forbearers of individuals who exploited the Native American peoples and their resources. Their Puritan descendants in New England quickly set up their own intolerant societies. I even have an ancestor from Salem, Mass., who was sentenced to death for "entertaining strangers" of a different Protestant denomination. Those who cry out for tolerance and equality can so quickly become the ones suppressing diversity and dissent.

Not so long ago, and yet today in many circles, the LGBTQ individual has had to hide her identity. The "queer" was bad, end of story. Today, in most academic circles, a person of faith has to hide her true identity. As The Missourian so clearly illustrated, academia unequivocally insinuates that the person whose decision is in any meaningful way informed by faith is an ignorant person. While I give The Missourian the benefit of the doubt, trusting that it was perhaps "ignorant" of its logical positioning, it has committed one of the most basic fallacies in rhetoric; it has used one of the most dangerous tools of propaganda, the false dichotomy. The Missourian's commentary paints in black and white: either you fully accept the LGBTQ lifestyle or you are ignorant.

As an individual whose default sexual "orientation" is homosexual, and as an individual with a graduate degree in a multicultural field, as an individual who has traveled, studied, or lived in more than 40 countries, as an individual who speaks to varying degrees multiple languages, I am a concrete example that The Missourian's overtly implied assertion is incorrect. I have more reason than virtually anyone else on campus to accept the world view presented in The Missourian's Oct. 27 article, yet my world view, which is informed by study, experience and religion, rejects homosex-

uality as a valid basis of the family unit.

Narrow-mindedness does not side with the religious alone. The Missourian is glossing a number of issues here. Whether gay marriage should be legal or socially accepted involves more than just the question of religion. There are serious social implications involved. A number of sociological studies have been conducted by both pro and anti LGBTQ interests. While, of course, there is a great deal of debate over objectivity, the best of these studies indicate that the effects of homosexual lifestyle are inconclusive. A number of other studies indicate that those who practice homosexual interpersonal relations have higher rates of a number of disorders. This is even true in highly "tolerant" societies in Northern Europe. There are a number of secular, causal and corollary explanations for this in addition to stereotypical religious ones. A person informed only by religion would not be able to consider multiple implications from sociological studies. A hard-core LGBTQ advocate is equally blinded to dissenting data. They will both seek out an explanation to dismiss what is contrary to their world view.

Let me illustrate. The Missourian noted the 2009 ELCA Denominational vote to formally approve gay marriage and gay pastors. It is ironic that it mentioned that. It may not have been a Charlton Heston moment, but it at least seemed "Biblical" when that meeting was quickly interrupted by an extremely unusual and unexpected funnel cloud that severely damaged the roof of the building where they met, shredded their tents, and broke the cross off the steeple of the ELCA church next door. There had not been a tornado in the city in 28 years. Likewise, at least two churches that were destroyed in Joplin had large prominent crosses left standing despite the havoc suffered by the rest of the building. Those whose world view understands God as an active agent in the natural world will see these as acts of God. Those who hold to a materialist or deist world view will see them as strange coincidences in a world of random good and evil.

In an academic setting, it is inappropriate to call each other ignorant because we disagree. That should be true whether I be a lesbian Christian or celibate atheist. As a culturally informed "global citizen," who is also a person of homosexual "orientation" and of deep evangelical Christian faith, I can choose not to pursue a gay lifestyle and still accept myself as a person, like all others who are imperfect, but yet loved by God. I can be friends with people of multiple faiths and lifestyles. This is not without critical analysis of cause and effect of lifestyle. I am not blind to the fact that many, monogamous heterosexual relationships are deeply pathological, yet I reject the notion that a homosexual monogamous relationship is a healthy alternative. All the same, I still have gay friends I love dearly. I also reject the notion that promiscuity is a healthy lifestyle. Though I have many promiscuous friends, neither will I endorse polygamy any more than gay marriage. I make decisions informed by reason, academic knowledge, experience and faith.

As a closing note, at present, I prefer not to receive death threats and so remain anonymous. I have a number of acquaintances who have "come out" of the gay lifestyle. Those who are "out of the closet" about having left the lifestyle have received death threats by the left wing of the "tolerant" gay agenda who see our "exodus" stories as a threat to their agenda. I do not wish to be in or out of a closet. I would prefer to be me, an academic, who you will have to get to know before making any meaningful judgment about my character. I attempt the same with those dissenting opinions. You don't have to agree with me, but grant me the dignity of trying to follow a basic standard of rhetorical debate.

Respectfully,
One academically and globally informed homoerotic-orientated, heterosexual, evangelical staff member.

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CAMPUS TALK

What can be done to improve poverty and homelessness in Maryville?



Business expansion, definitely... If everyone steps up and works a little harder, then the economy will be improving.

Mickey Russell
Undecided

"Not a lot of families, especially since the economic crisis, can support themselves... we need to help them in any way possible. It shows that there is some humanity left."

Elizabeth Ruckman
Theatre

It doesn't have to be some big thing... but saying, "What can I do in my little sphere of influence to make the world a better place, and to help those around me who are in need?"

Andrew Hensley
Political Science

Stop being so selfish, and realize that it's not about us... everybody thinks, 'Oh I have to give money.' Money isn't always what helps. You have to give time and care as well.

Brittney Spratt
Academy

"Salvation Army has not only a food pantry, but housing for the homeless... and they employ all sorts of people with disabilities, and for a lot of those people it's hard for them to find jobs."

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Web ware is half-baked

TY STEVENS

Web Developer

Adobe's latest creation, Muse, has taken parts of the graphic design industry by storm. Muse is a program that allows users to create websites easily, without having to worry about the hassle of coding or working with complicated online programs.

"Muse is a kick-ass product designed for traditional designers so they don't have to worry about any code at all," David Stephens, senior computer scientist, said.

But is Muse really as "kick-ass" as Stephens says? I recently downloaded the beta version of this program to build my own website and see for myself. Stephens was half right.

Muse is based more on Adobe's InDesign's user interface than any of Adobe's other programs. It allows the user to jump right in and begin working, almost as if they were in InDesign itself.

From the start screen, preset templates are available based on the size of the webpage the user would like. From there, you can begin setting up how many pages your site will have and what order they will be in, thanks to Muse's master page.

The fun does not stop there, however. Utilizing what are called "widgets," Muse allows the de-

signer to drag and drop normally complicated code programs, such as slideshows, drop-down menus and toolbars onto the page with ease. The user can then customize these widgets down to color, layouts, and even part of the functionality itself.

However, it's not all parties and dancing girls with Muse. The coding behind it is as ugly as Rumplestiltskin after his last divorce. For instance, any non-safe web fonts are inserted as pictures, something the web designing industry is finally getting away from.

The preset templates I mentioned earlier are nice, but it's clear the site creation is all about fixed dimension. These days, the web is finally moving toward a fluid responsive design, and presenting it as something that uses finite measurements is definitely a step in the wrong direction. Also, the current available widgets leave much to be desired. With only a handful to choose from, most sites created with this program could begin to look very similar. Hopefully, the fully released version will boast a more robust library of widgets.

All in all, Muse, right now, is probably a three out of five. It's great, and the interface is easy to use and get the hang of, but some of the problems I mentioned make Muse feel more like two steps forward and one step back.

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- 13 Fragrant purple flower
- 14 Stadium level
- 15 Bookstore sect.
- 16 Newcomer to Capitol Hill
- 19 Long story
- 20 Vessels like Noah's
- 21 Frère du père
- 22 Massage facility
- 24 Begin a trip
- 25 Promising rookies' doses of reality
- 31 Nitwit
- 32 They may be locked in battle
- 33 Flexed
- 34 Heavenly head covers
- 35 "Whatever shall I do?"
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- 63 Arthur of tennis
- 64 Varnish component

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- 6 Hollywood Walk of Fame feature
- 7 Sound from a snout
- 8 A smaller amount
- 9 Salem is its cap.

10 "Scrubs," for one

11 Get ready for production

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15 African language group

17 Hat-tipping address

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24 Federal IDs

25 One of the fam

26 Shelley tribute

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28 Windy City airport

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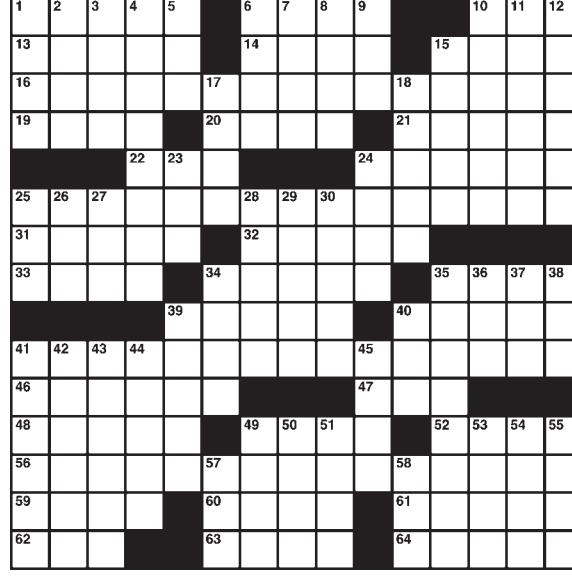
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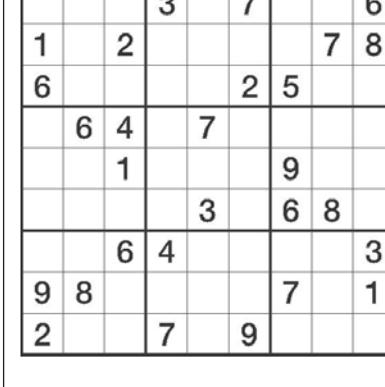
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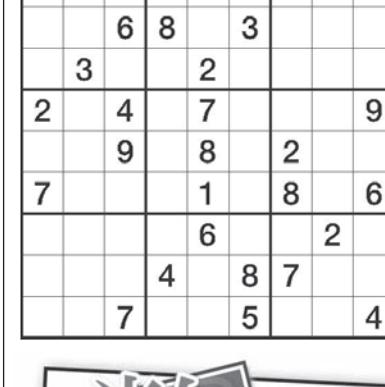


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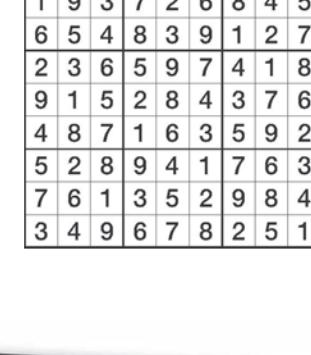


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Today's Birthday (11/17/11). If you ever thought you weren't good at asking for money, this is the year to get over that. Practice makes perfect. First, get straight with yourself about what you want. Then, let others know, in particular those who can do something about it.

Aries (March 21-April 19) -- Today is an 8 -- Your cuddly side is showing, and others seem more than happy to come pay attention. Romance and friendship can be yours, should you dare. Love and be loved.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) -- Today is a 7 -- Protect your environment. Improve

your home; plant a tree; fix a leaky faucet; add curtains; seal the cracks. Save money and energy at the same time.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) -- Today is an 8 -- Confer with family to work out a game plan. Keep communications open, and make sure everyone knows their part. Many hands make light work.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) -- Today is a 9 -- Your work ethic is attracting attention, so keep getting after it. Money's readily available, but it can be spent quickly. Step out of your own way. Allow for expansion.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 9 -- Love is what it's all about. Your passion moves you, and provides strength to surmount any obstacles. Let it give you wings. It might even put coins in your pocket.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Barriers may not be as universal as they seem. Your well-developed conscience keeps you on the right path. Doors that appeared closed are ajar. Go on through.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- The right words come easily now. Get into a recording or writing project, or deliver

communications and promotions. Send out that holiday letter.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is an 8 -- You excel on a test, with concentration and effort. You've got the gift to gab today, so let it flow. Ask for what you want, and get results. Send that application!

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is an 8 -- Even if you'd rather not, there's still plenty of work. The trick is to play and get it done simultaneously. For that, focus on some aspect of the task that's fun.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today

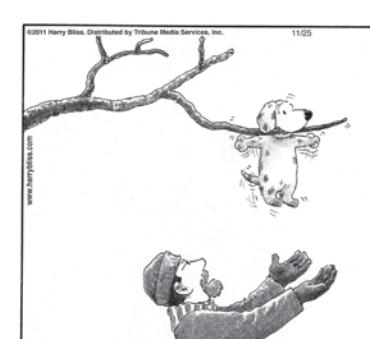
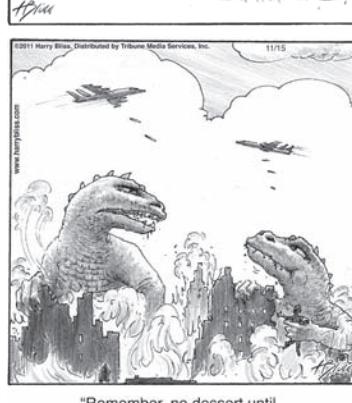
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is a 7 -- You may find yourself attracted to someone completely opposite. Give yourself permission to explore carefully, one little step at a time. There's no hurry.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is an 8 -- An investment in your home is okay now. How can you use the space more efficiently? Your wit is quite attractive. Use it to reveal a hidden dream.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is an 8 -- When in doubt, get advice from a trusted friend or partner. They're clear where you're fuzzy. Make time for helping others and you'll help yourself.

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Women with a Mission is raising money for the Nodaway Humane Society in Maryville that houses and takes care of abandoned dogs and cats that are up for adoption.

HOMELESS

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Howe said.

Evidently, raising awareness is only half the battle. Today, in the midst of economic repair, the stresses of society brought on by the recession will force about 1.5 million more people into homelessness within the next two years, according to PBS, adding more homeless to the community of the 1,600 currently dwelling in Kansas City.

In a small rural community, it is a common perception that Maryville is not affected by homelessness, but we are victims to hunger and poverty. According to the 2010 Census, Nodaway County's population is comprised of 23,370 residents, 4,000 of which live at or below the poverty line, according to Maryville's Community Services operation director, Carla Summa.

"The state's average is about 14.6 percent, so we are a third above the poverty rate at 21 percent," Summa said.

That percent represents the working poor who occupy small, odd jobs or work multiple part-time shifts just to ensure that basic necessities are met. When finances are low and work opportunities fall short, many have to rely on assistance from the Ministry Center, located on 971 South Main St., across from The Mandarin restaurant.

Rod Shain, board treasurer and director of food pantry at the

Ministry Center, admitted that seeing members of the homeless community in Maryville is pretty rare, but it does happen. Most of the time, people come to the center seeking financial assistance for utilities, clothes, food and in extreme cases, vouchers for gas or shelter.

"Thankfully, we haven't really hit the large numbers of people needing shelter," Shain said. "We do however, get about 400 to 600 people a month coming in for groceries and clothes; we've given out over 200,000 pounds of food this year alone."

With such large numbers receiving aid, it is important for the Ministry Center to work in alliance with places like the Housing Authority, Public Safety, Community Services and local churches to better serve the public.

"We are always trying to work to get the word out there about the services the center provides," Shain said. "We thank the community for giving time, money, clothes and food because without that we couldn't exist. It's just a way that the community helps itself by giving back."

The Ministry Center's food pantry is open from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Hours for the clothing pantry are from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday and from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Thursdays. St. Gregory's Catholic Church, First United Methodist Church and First Presbyterian Church, all host super nights on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday that are free and

open to the public. Each development takes on a task of assisting the community.

"It's the little things that help," Shain said. "We do special food bundles for those that need it, and Community Services helps with the funding process. We see people from all walks of life most coming in because of layoffs, but our community ties are great."

Aside from assistance through the Ministry Center, Community Services and the Housing Authority, unemployed residents frequently seek placement through Maryville's Employment Office. The office works with task forces and employers to temporarily place employees into the job market.

"Prior to the recession we were below the three percent unemployment rate," Kim Milward, director of work force development, said. "Employers are still being cautious and aren't hiring a lot of permanent full-time staff."

Maryville's unemployment rate is 5.9 percent, slightly below Missouri's unemployment rate of 8.5 percent.

Milward admits that in comparison to areas like Columbia and St. Louis, we are fortunate to have such low unemployment numbers.

"That's the good thing about living in a small community," Milward said. "We have employers with good products and services, and being a college town, we have a high rate of individuals that finish high school; that equips them with the skill set to succeed."

CIVIL WAR

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and explain the events that occurred leading up to the war. Carnal will represent Albert Morehouse, who became governor of Missouri in 1889, and talk about the two Missouri Governors who served at the same time.

Hull will portray Aunt Betsy Robinson, who was quite a character here in Maryville; she used to wander around town with a sheep, knew everyone and was not afraid to voice her opinion, Palmer said.

"She's gonna be a fun one to watch," Palmer said. "They're all gonna be fun."

Mike and Liz Mandrick will portray a Union officer and a Union housewife, providing children's games at her station, and Taylor, along with Palmer, will prepare food soldiers would have eaten while on the march, or in camp. Guests can enjoy the free samples provided, including hardtack, a

bread-like cracker made by northerners, and Johnnycakes, which are cornmeal pancakes that were eaten by southerners.

Other stations include Nate Rice explaining infantry weapons and Confederate "militia" uniforms and Tom Merrigan describing the medical and pharmaceutical aspects of the time. Gerald Eckstein, portraying Abraham Lincoln, will greet people at the door, and Dutch Luke will play music of the era on his fiddle.

"I'm looking forward to the program," Palmer said. "This display is an opportunity to get a feel for the lifestyle of the time period. It's not about the battles and the wounded soldiers; it's about the people and their lives. And whenever we can learn about the past, we have more choices for the future."

While the program will be Nov. 20, the display will be here through Dec. 5 and can be viewed Tues.-Fri. 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment, Palmer said.

TOURS

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of the animals needs. These tours bring in a lot of money compared to the fundraisers we do."

Bonnett has been involved with the humane society, following her passion, for 27 years.

"She is pretty involved with the shelter as a volunteer," Nelson said. "Sometimes she and her husband even come in to walk dogs and help train them."

Bonnett and Hull held an informational meeting Tuesday for anyone interested. However, anyone interested in information about the tours can contact Bonnett at 660-562-2296 or Bonnett@embarqmail.com.

"I think it's awesome what they are doing," Nelson said. "People get to have a vacation, and the humane society gets financial assistance."

The Buried Life comes to Northwest campus

Everywhere they go, Ben Nemtim, Dave Lingwood, Duncan Penn and Jonnie Penn ask, "What do you want to do before you die?"

For some on the Northwest campus, the answer might be to meet the cast of The Buried Life.

The cast of MTV's reality documentary series, The Buried Life, will travel to Maryville to speak at 7 p.m. Nov. 29 in the Mary Linn

Theater at the Ron Houston Center for the Performing Arts.

The Buried Life was a show in which the cast traveled around the country completing a list of 100 things the four of them wanted to do before they died. Along the way, they helped strangers knock something off of their own list.

Tickets are free and available at the student services desk in the Administration Building.

Homecoming shooting sees new information

Maryville Public Safety officers were called to a Homecoming party around 2 a.m. Oct. 23, and arrested a man for allegedly hitting two officers and at least two civilians with his car.

Witnesses said a woman came over from across the street upset about the noise and started a physical altercation, along with her husband, as stated in the Nov. 3 issue of The Northwest Missourian.

According to Keith Wood, Director of MPS, the physical alter-

cation occurred in the woman's yard, when a young man tackled her, and her husband retrieved a gun from the house, instructing the young man to leave the property; the fight ended at that point.

Neither of them were intoxicated, the woman said.

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for the first time ever, support marijuana legalization. Langston says that this is because "people...finally know the truth when it comes to cannabis."

Fred Lamer, professor of mass communication at Northwest, says current drug policies are failing.

"The United States has to liberalize its drug policy," Lamer said. "I compare it with the prohibition of alcohol. We need to get on top of our drug policy."

Many Northwest students have shown their support as well. State revenue, hypocrisy and redistribution of criminal resources make up some of the supportive reasons favoring these two measures.

"They could tax the hell out of it, and people would still buy it," senior Alan Reed said. "There are plenty of people out there who don't want to grow it, but would still be interested if it is regulated."

However, not everyone is supportive of these new measures. Opponents to cannabis legalization say it is too physically addictive, and legalization would only encourage teenagers to abuse it.

Initiatives similar to this one are expected to be on the ballot in five other states as well, including California, Massachusetts, Colorado, Oregon and Washington.

"If the group is organized, this should be achievable," Lamer said. "Whether it would pass is a whole other thing."

ing for anyone interested in the job. Moss said the process could take a while though.

"(The process) has varied in the past," Moss said. "We'll get the resume; the council will review it, and I'm sure LeCerf will help in that process."

"Once we narrow it down to three people, we'll call them and their references. It may take a while. It won't be done in a month."

Though leaving the city behind, LeCerf would like to help make sure he leaves it in capable hands.

"I would like to help facilitate (the search) process to make sure they are at a high caliber and have the community's best interest in mind."

As for Moss, if the city is fortunate to find someone like LeCerf, with the characteristics it takes to be a good manager, he said that would be good.

"In my experience, all city managers are a special breed of person," Moss said with a chuckle. "They like challenges; they stay for about five or seven years, and then they move on to bigger and, I guess, better challenges. And they all seem to have that similar characteristic."

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English department hosts country dance

Northwest's English Department sponsored an English Country Dance Saturday, in the J.W. Jones Student Union Ballroom.

This is the University's second annual dance put on by the department. Last year's event was run by Dr. Jenny Rytting, assistant professor of English, and had quite a turnout. Dance caller Jerome Grisanti instructed the participants from 6:30 to 7 p.m. and dancing followed until around 10 p.m.

The whole idea for the event was inspired by a Jane Austin course Rytting was teaching at the time. She decided it was something different and fun for both students and faculty to participate in.

Ildiko Olasz, a professor in the English department, took charge this year, due to Rytting's sabbatical. Olasz decided to plan the event because of the success it had last year and the fun everyone seemed to have.

"There are usually around 50 people that come, which is a great number," Olasz said.

The event was open to the pub-

lic, bringing in a range of participants from community members to students. Ages ranged from five to 60. Although the event called for costumes, most just dressed casual.

"There were a few people who came in costume. Jerome wore a Scottish outfit, along with another couple," Olasz said.

Though last year's event was held in the gym, Olasz decided that the Ballroom would be a better fit because it works well for dances, and the acoustics sound better. Olasz and others in the department will make it a goal to make this an annual event.

"It is a good way for people in the community to get to know each other. Most people that come don't know each other, but by the end, everyone is having a great time, and it ends up bringing people closer together," Olasz said.

The one thing Olasz will also do in the future is better advertise for the event and reach people in advance, rather than just a day or two before, which will bring in even more of a crowd.

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Blotter from the Maryville Department of Public Safety

Nov. 13

There is an ongoing investigation of larceny from a motor vehicle at 1200 block Crestview Drive.

Roberto H. Cruz, 19, Clarinda, Iowa, was charged with minor in possession at 300 block North Market.

Nov. 12

An accident occurred between James E. French, 75, Bedford, Iowa, and Angela N. Byers, 39, Maryville, Mo., at 1600 block South Main.

Nov. 9

There is an ongoing investigation of property damage at Judah Park.

An accident occurred involving Daisy M. Ebrecht, 27, Maryville, Mo., at 3000 block East First Street.

There is an ongoing investigation of a stolen vehicle at 400 block West Fourth Street.

Ryan M. Knight, 21, Fairfax, Mo., was wanted on warrant for failure to appear at 400 block North Market.

There is an ongoing investigation of larceny from a motor vehicle at 600 block East Second Street.

Nov. 8

An accident occurred between Jeremy J. Dougan, 39, Maryville, Mo., and

Christina M. Maxwell, 22, Maryville, Mo., at East First Street & North Market.

An accident occurred between Rose M. Funderburk, 68, Maryville, Mo., and Teresa L. Wallace, 49, Conception Junction, Mo., at 1500 block South Main.

An accident occurred between Carl A. Sickman, 23, Maryville, Mo., and Jacob T. Mlnarik, 18, Maryville, Mo., at West South Avenue and Crestview Drive.

Nov. 7

An accident occurred between Kevin L. Fugate, 48, Stanberry, Mo., and Mitchell F. Bradshaw, 18, Maryville, Mo., at South Main & East South Avenue.

There is an ongoing investigation of disorderly conduct at 300 block East Cooper.

There is an ongoing investigation of property damage at 500 block North Buchanan.

There is an ongoing investigation of forgery at 200 block East Third Street.

Nov. 5

An accident occurred involving Paul D. Poe, 19, Maryville, Mo., at 500 block West Ninth Street.

Nov. 4

There is an ongoing investigation of recovered property at 300 block South Buchanan.

Buchanan.

There is an ongoing investigation of larceny at 300 block West South Avenue.

There is an ongoing investigation of larceny at 100 block North Buchanan.

Nov. 3

Niki C. Michael, 22, Maryville, Mo., was charged with failure to yield for a school bus stop sign at 1200 block North Walnut.

Nov. 2

There is an ongoing investigation of a lost or stolen license tab at 600 block South Main.

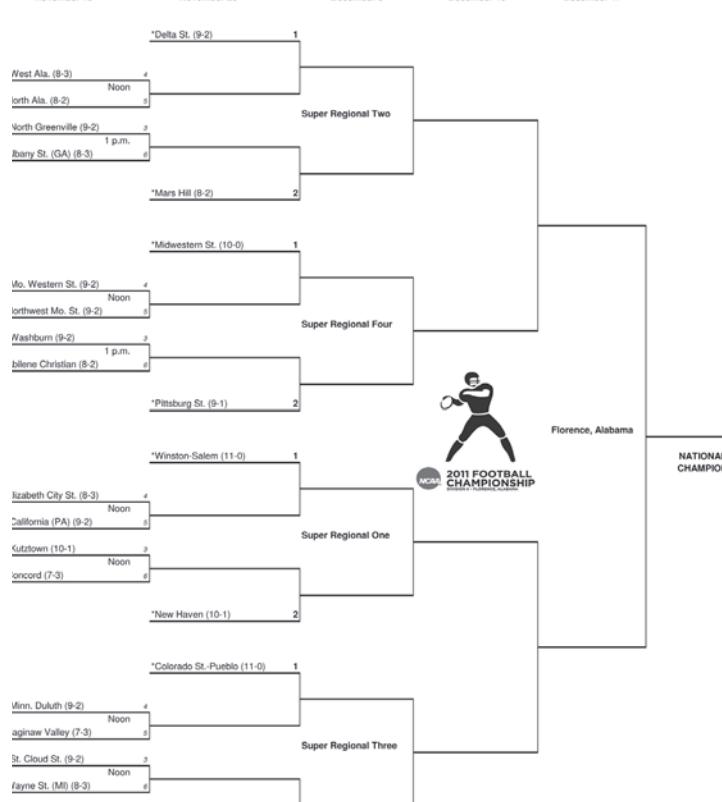
NORTHWEST MEN'S BASKETBALL



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Junior guard Alex Sullivan attempts a shot between two Waldorf defenders. Sullivan went three-of-five from three-point range on his way to a team-high 15 points.

NCAA DIVISION II PLAYOFF BRACKET



NW VOLLEYBALL

MIAA STANDINGS	Overall	MIAA
Washburn.....	30-2	17-1
Central Mo.....	27-4	17-1
Emporia St.....	21-10	13-5
Truman St.....	20-14	9-9
NORTHWEST.....	14-17	8-10
Mo. Western.....	14-17	7-11
Pitt. State.....	9-22	6-12
Fort Hays.....	17-16	5-13
S.W. Baptist.....	12-21	5-13
Mo. Southern.....	5-25	3-15

November 17-19:
South Central Regional - hosted by Central Missouri

Abilene Christian at Central Mo.
Arkansas Tech at Washburn

NW MEN'S BASKETBALL

MIAA STANDINGS	Overall	MIAA
Mo. Southern.....	2-0	0-0
Mo. Western.....	2-0	0-0
Central Mo.....	1-0	0-0
Fort Hays.....	1-0	0-0
NORTHWEST.....	1-0	0-0
Southwest Baptist.....	1-0	0-0
Pitt. State.....	1-1	0-0
Washburn.....	1-1	0-0
Emporia St.....	0-0	0-0
Lincoln (Mo.).....	0-2	0-0
Truman.....	0-2	0-0

November 18:
Mo. Southern at Avila

November 19:
Mo. Southern at Mid-Amer. Naz.
Tiffin at Southwest Baptist

RECRUITING

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carry into next season."

Hanna finished her Northwest career with 1,231 kills, the ninth best mark in program history. She also finished her career with 3,573 attacks, which places her fifth in program history. Akin finished her Bearcat career with 3,600 assists, the third best total in program history.

For the 'Cats, the focus now

shifts to preparing for next season and hitting the recruiting trail.

"We'll start reviewing tapes in the next few weeks," Rinehart said. "The recruiting process can be pretty tedious, but it's necessary. I thought we did a pretty good job last year, so hopefully we can continue that. We want to build sustained success here at Northwest. We feel like we've made some good strides, but we have to keep it up."

Next season the 'Cats will rely on sophomore middle hitter Amy Majors, freshman right hitter

Brooke Bartosh, freshman outside hitter Abby Graves and junior libero Tori Beckman to lead the way. All four of the girls were fixtures in the starting lineup this season and gained valuable experience with so much playing time.

"I feel like we have a lot of great talent and potential on this team," junior libero Alicia Watson said. "We all need to work hard in the offseason to be prepared for next year, but I think getting the younger girls a lot of playing time this year will really pay off."

PLAYOFFS

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they're going to do to you, but at the same time, they know what you're going to do to them. Both teams make adjustments. It really just comes down to how each team performs."

The Griffons have won seven straight since falling 41-20 to Washburn back on Sept. 22.

In the last matchup, Western quarterback Travis Partridge ran for 106 yards and a score, marking the only time this season a team has rushed for over 200 yards against Northwest.

"He's going to get his," Dorrel said. "He's a good runner - deceptively fast. He can run for a kid that size, but there's some things we can do better there."

The defense also has to account for MIAA Special Teams Player of the Year Greg Zuerlein, who hit two field goals from beyond 50 yards in the meeting two weeks ago, giving the Griffons a chance to score almost as soon as they cross midfield.

"He changes the dynamics of a game," Dorrel said. "There's not a

ton you can do about it. That's why he was the Special Teams Player of the Year in the league and first-team all-conference kicker, and he'll be kicking in the NFL next year."

"I think third and long if they're around the 40, then you start thinking don't treat it as a third and long, treat it more as a third and medium and don't let them get four yards. You want to hold people scoreless, but we'll trade field goals for touchdowns. That's the name of the game."

However, the Bearcats might have senior quarterback Blake Christopher back this week, after missing the last two with injury. Dorrel's gut feeling is that Christopher will play this weekend.

Having Christopher back could offset some of what Western's heralded defensive line, led by All-MIAA selections David Bass and Ben Pister, can do to disrupt the Bearcat offense like they did two weeks ago.

"The big thing is throw it because we want to, not because we need to," Dorrel said. "You've got to stay out of third and longs against those guys, (or) they'll just murder you. We're going to do some things

differently with protections to try and get people some help too."

Establishing the running game is also something the 'Cats must do early to disrupt the Griffons' momentum and the impact of their front four.

Northwest ran for 349 yards last week, including a career-high 229 by sophomore running back James Franklin.

"It starts with getting our running game going," Kyle Kilgore said. "That helps open up our passing game. That's what we really like to do, so I think if we can get the running game going that will help slow down their d-line a little bit."

The seniors know they have to make changes if they want to keep their season, and their careers, alive for another game.

"Being a part of a lot of good teams in the past is great," Kyle Kilgore said. "But being able to leave a good legacy your senior year, I definitely think you remember more about your senior year than any other year, so it's definitely important to leave on a good note."

Kickoff is set for noon Saturday in St. Joseph.

15 Bearcats named All-Conference

MIAA freshman of the year, cornerback Bryce Enyard, highlights 15 Bearcats named All-MIAA by the league's coaches.

Northwest had three players named to the first team: senior right guard Cody Johnson, senior defensive tackle Josh Lorenson and senior linebacker Chad Kilgore.

Lorenson is a repeat first-team selection from last year, and Kilgore has been named to the first team the past two years.

Junior running back Jordan Simmons leads six 'Cats on the second team. Simmons is the running back and kick returner on the second team.

Sophomore running back James Franklin, senior tight end Kyle Kilgore, junior left tackle Rod Williams, junior kicker Todd Adolf and Enyard were named to the sec-

ond team.

"It's definitely an honor for me," Kyle Kilgore said. "That's not something that I particularly worry about throughout the year."

"Going back to when Coach T (Mel Tjeerdtsma) was here, he always said, 'Play as well as you can and things like that will take care of themselves.' So, that's kind of the attitude I've had and just done what the coaches have asked me."

Senior wide receivers Jake Soy, Taylor Pierce and David Mosley, along with senior quarterback Blake Christopher, senior defensive tackle Aaron Terry and junior wide receiver Tyler Shaw were named Honorable Mention.

Missouri Western had the most total honorees with 16, while five were named to the first team. Kicker Greg Zuerlein was named

MIAA Special Teams Player of the Year.

MIAA Champion Pittsburg State had 15 honorees, including first-team selection and MIAA Defensive Player of the Year linebacker Nate Dreiling, as well as the conference's Coach of the Year, Tim Beck.

Washburn quarterback Dane Simoneau was named the MIAA Offensive Player of the year, leading 14 Washburn players named to the All-MIAA squads.

Central Missouri and Missouri Southern each had 10 players make the list while Fort Hays had nine representatives. Emporia State and Truman State had eight and seven players selected, respectively. Lincoln had five players named honorable mention to round out the selections.

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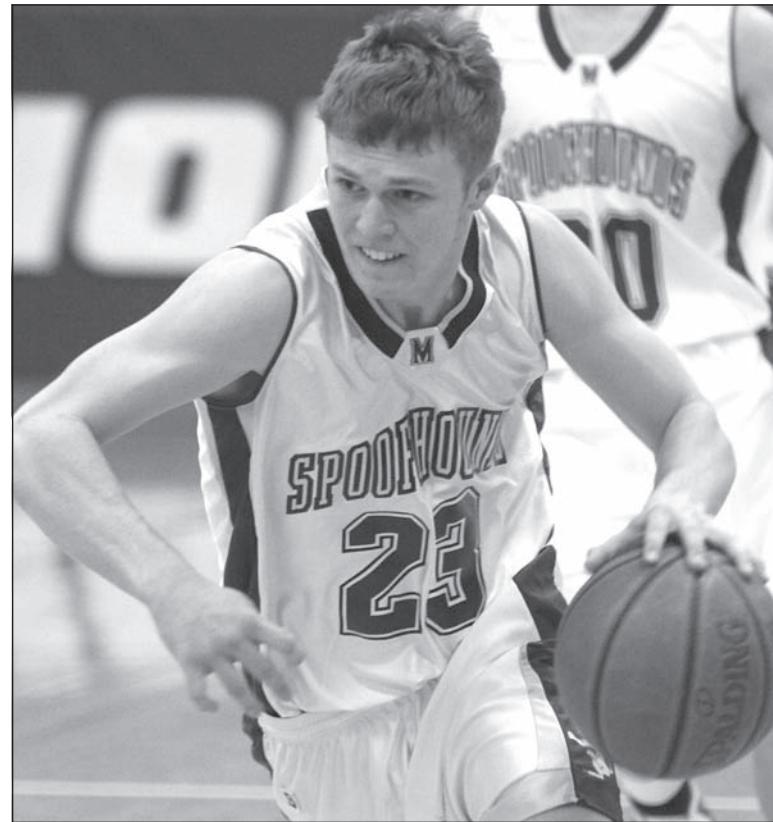
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Junior quarterback Jonathan Baker reads the defense in a game against Lawson this season. The 'Hounds will lean heavily on Baker to run the offense and score without All-District guard Tyler Peve.



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Senior guard Tyler Walter drives down the court in the 'Hounds' 72-28 victory over Auburn last season. Walter is the leading returning scorer for the Spoofhounds.

Baker, Walter transition to court

CHRIS SCHOONOVER

Chief Sports Reporter

After a successful football season, that included a share of the Midland Empire Conference championship and a district title, two Spoofhounds are preparing for a new challenge.

Quarterback Jonathan Baker and wide receiver Tyler Walter are making the transition to point guard Jonathan Baker and guard Tyler Walter without any time to prepare between seasons because of the seasons overlapping.

Football season ended after a loss to Richmond in the second round of the playoffs Nov. 7, and with the basketball season tipping off Nov. 28 in the Savannah tournament, it gives Baker and Walter just three weeks to get into basketball mode.

This is nothing new for the dual sport athletes, as the Spoofhounds are used to deep postseason runs.

"If you are a basketball player at Maryville High School and play football, we anticipate that you will not get a break," head football coach Chris Holt said. "If we are getting a break, it means we are not doing good in the fall. If anything this year, we saw them still practicing football."

Walter finished his football career as the all-time leader in interceptions and holds the record for most receiv-

ing yards in a game, with 164. Walter tallied 409 yards on 26 receptions and five touchdowns this season.

Even with all the accolades, Walter sees himself as a basketball player first.

"I like basketball a lot better," Walter said. "I've just been playing it since I was kid, and I just love playing. I don't know why."

Baker ended his junior season 68-for-119 for 1,092 yards and 14 touchdowns for the 10-2 'Hounds.

As a quarterback, Baker believes getting back into basketball shape may take some work, but helps with the mental aspect.

"I need to work on endurance. Being a quarterback, you don't run as much as you will in basketball," Baker said. "As a quarterback, it helps with taking control of the offense and setting guys up where they need to be and knowing where everyone needs to be."

Baker's favorite target on the field was Walter, and he expects the chemistry to pass over to the court.

"The experience we've had playing on the same team so long just takes care of itself," Baker said. "You just think the same after a long time of playing with each other."

"A lot of it has to do with cuts and knowing where the guy is going to be. In football you have routes set, so you

know where the guy is going to be. In basketball, it's kind of a mind game, knowing where he is going to be coming off of a screen and getting him the ball. We are really good knowing where each other are going to be."

Holt expects the success on the gridiron to translate onto the basketball court.

"I've been doing this a long time, and most of the time that there is a successful fall, it leads into successful winters and springs," Holt said. "Good athletes and good work ethic usually continue through."

To Holt, the carryover of good practice habits is key to prevent a rocky shift between sports.

"Coach Kuwitzky and I are similar in the appreciation of fundamentals and doing it right and preparing that way," Holt said. "There is a lot of carryover there from football, knowing they are going to use those practice habits in basketball. Neither one of us coaches are going to give them any slack in that area."

Head basketball coach Mike Kuwitzky sees it as a smooth transition for Baker and Walter.

"They are great athletes and are both great people and are going to excel at any sport they do," Kuwitzky said. "They are really good in basketball and football and are going to be great leaders for us."

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



BEARCATS

James Franklin



Sophomore running back James Franklin ran for a career-high 229 yards on 20 carries in Northwest's playoff-clinching 62-21 victory over Emporia State Saturday.

Jordan Simmons



Junior running back Jordan Simmons scored four touchdowns in the Bearcats' 62-21 win over Emporia State Saturday. Simmons scored on two runs, a catch and a punt return.

Laira Akin



Senior setter Laira Akin helped the 'Cats win their last three matches of the season. Akin ends her career third in program history with 3,600 assists.

Amanda Nally



Senior outfielder Amanda Nally signed a National Letter of Intent last Friday at Maryville High School to play softball for the University of Central Missouri next spring.

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Senior tight end Kyle Kilgore makes a catch in the second half. Kilgore had three of those catches for 29 yards. Sophomore quarterback Trevor Adams connected with ten Bearcats for a total of 254 yards in the 62-21 victory against Emporia State.

Volleyball season comes to end on positive streak

KYLE HENDRICKS

Missourian Reporter

In a season full of ups and downs, the Northwest volleyball team ended its season on a high note last Saturday, with a 3-0 victory over Missouri Southern.

The Bearcats finished the season with three straight victories, a 3-1 victory over Southwest Baptist Friday night and a 3-1 victory over Pittsburg State on Senior Night.

Northwest finished the season with a record of 14-17 and 8-10 in the MIAA, finishing fifth in the conference.

The 'Cats beat Southwest Baptist Friday night in Bolivar 25-23, 16-25, 25-19 and 27-25.

Senior setter Laira Akin finished with her 17th double-double of the season, with 54 assists and 14 digs. Sophomore middle hitter Whitney Mason led the 'Cats with 19 kills and a .536 hitting percentage.

Northwest finished the season by beating Southern 26-16, 25-22 and 25-22, including coming back from a 12-15 deficit in the third set.

With the loss, Missouri South-

ern fell to 5-25 overall and 3-15 in the MIAA.

Northwest set the tone early thanks to Akin and senior outside hitter Alex Hanna. Akin recorded 29 assists and six digs, while Hanna had nine kills and a .273 hitting percentage.

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LORI FRANKENFIELD | NW MISSOURIAN
Freshman right outside hitter Brooke Bartosh spikes the ball over a Missouri Western opponent on Nov. 1 at Bearcat Arena.

Football ready for rematch in St. Joe

JASON LAWRENCE

Sports Editor

The Bearcats are already in playoff mode after beating Emporia 62-21 last week, securing a spot in the postseason.

"It started after we lost to Western two weeks ago," senior linebacker Chad Kilgore said. "We basically said last week was our playoffs because if we lose, we aren't in the playoffs. We took that pretty seriously and had a great game on Saturday, so we're going to take every week like that."

Head coach Adam Dorrel is just glad to have a chance to keep playing.

"I'm more excited we're in the national playoffs," Dorrel said. "You can talk about rivalries and this and that, but when you get to the playoffs, you're one of the last 24 teams left in the country."

But now, the team has to take the next step and go back to St. Joseph for a rematch of their 31-28 Week 10 loss.

"I'm very excited (to get another shot at Missouri Western). I think

we all are," Chad Kilgore said. "We didn't play a very sound game two weeks ago, but I think we'll be ready this weekend."

It is also a rematch of last year's first round playoff matchup, in which the Bearcats recovered from a 17-0 deficit to win 28-24.

Seeing a team multiple times in one season gives Northwest a unique advantage, and one that has historically gone in the Bearcats' favor.

The 'Cats defeated Texas A&M-Kingsville last year in the second round of the playoffs after losing to them in the season opener, much like they did against Abilene Christian in 2008 and 2009.

"It's always good to be able to get a chance at a team that beat you earlier in the year," senior tight end Kyle Kilgore said. "We've had that chance the past couple years with Abilene and Kingsville. We've been able to get another chance at them, so I think we're all definitely excited for that."

"It helps that you know what

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Offense struggles to find rhythm

CHRIS SCHOONOVER

Chief Sports Reporter

Northwest trailed from the tip to the final buzzer in their 69-42 loss against Northeastern State Tuesday night.

After scoring 72 points on Division I University of Missouri-Kansas City in their previous game, the Bearcats struggled to produce much offense.

Senior guard Abby Henry was held scoreless and taken out of the game early, after trying to play with a broken finger that she sustained earlier in the week during practice.

"When we set up our offense this year, we set it up so that Abby can trigger the offense by dribble penetration because that is what she does best," head coach Gene Stienmeyer said. "She played through a lot of pain and gave it a try. She made it about the 10 minute mark of the second half, but she just couldn't control the ball."

Senior post Tara Roach led the way for the 'Cats with eight points and eight rebounds.

"Tara had a great game. She probably had just a good of a game as anyone on the floor," Stienmeyer said. "Tara really played well, and it was mostly because of her hustle."

Junior post Candace Boehl added nine points in the effort along with a blocked shot.

Northwest shot 34 percent from the field, compared to Northeastern's 51 percent.

The 'Cats struggled at the line as well, going 11-for-23 from the charity stripe.

"We shot free throws for 24 hours, so I'm not for sure if it's from lack of practice," Stienmeyer said. "The kids that are shooting free throws for us have not been in pressure situations before."

After an 0-2 start, Stienmeyer is searching for answers, and he believes it falls on his shoulders.

"A lot of it is on my back because these kids are really talented," Stienmeyer said. "It's just a matter of we got to put the right pieces in the right place."

The Bearcats take the court again at 7:30 p.m. Friday against William Jewell at Bearcat Arena.

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NBPA to blame for no season

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Usually around this time, we would see stories about gearing up for the new NBA season. We'd be talking about the impact of incoming rookies, and someone somewhere would still be burning their LeBron James memorabilia.

Day 137 of the NBA lockout was worse than the Buffalo Bills 1991 trip to Super Bowl XXV; that was the day I realized there will probably be no NBA season this year. I'm sure I'm not the only one who gets choked up just thinking about it. With no NBA season to follow this year I'll be forced to more closely follow the NCAA.

Monday, the National Basketball Players Association rejected the league's offer of a 50/50 split of all basketball related incomes, contract's lengths not exceeding five years, rising luxury tax rates after three years and team payrolls at least 85 percent of the salary cap, just to name a few. All this boils down to is, there will likely be no NBA season.

NBA Commissioner David Stern had this to say on Sports Center following the players' decision, "It looks like the 2011-12 season is really in jeopardy... They seem hell-bent on self-destruction and it's very sad."

The NBPA can expect to now see harsher deals, not to mention a long, drawn out process once they take their case to the New York court system. Game over, man.

With Derek Fisher at the helm though, the players unanimously, according to Fisher, stuck by their choice. I get it; it is a player driven league, and they should be compensated for the work they do night in and night out, and for putting their bodies and talent on the line. However, I think I'm going to have to side with the owners on this one.

When people make the argument that the players deserve all the money they are fighting for, they're only keeping in mind the teams like the Heat, Lakers, Bulls, Thunder, Knicks and Mavericks. What do all of these teams have in common? Superstars. They all have a big-time, big-name, superstar player that deserve the big money. But there are 24 other teams in the league that don't have that luxury. There are 24 other teams that aren't running the table. There are 24 other teams not seeing the dollar signs these big-time teams are. You know what that means? It means the owners of those 24 other teams are losing money.

NBA teams have been losing money for three seasons straight now, according to probasketball-talk.nbcSports.com. Last year when players received 57 percent of all BRI, 22 teams lost close to \$300 million dollars collectively. If the owners continued at that pace, they would have to make that money up somewhere. I can only imagine that the fans wouldn't want that.

So I guess the question is, who's in the wrong here? Well, they are both being outrageously greedy. Both sides earn millions a year, but I think the players made the wrong choice. I don't just say this because now I'll have to get my fix through NBA 2K12, but because I sympathize with the owners of teams in small markets who can't afford to bring in a LeBron James, Chris Bosh or Dwyane Wade. Those owners need to be compensated.

Since both sides are being stubborn though, don't expect to watch any NBA games this year. Not even Kobe Bryant's presence could save the season. Maybe he is getting a little too old to seal the deal with everything on the line. Maybe they should have tried to bring Shaq back instead.

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AND THEN THERE WERE TWO



FILE PHOTO | NW MISSOURIAN

Senior guard Shelly Martin dribbles the ball during a game against University of Central Missouri last season at Bearcat Arena.



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Senior guard Abby Henry dribbles the ball around University of Nebraska-Kearney defender last season at Bearcat Arena.

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Returning Seniors in MIAA

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Northwest leans on duo of returning starters for another late postseason run

CHRIS SCHOONOVER

Chief Sports Reporter

After losing an All-American guard, the MIAA Defensive Player of the Year in the paint and a third-team MIAA post player, the Bearcats turn to their two returning starters to continue winning the way the team got used to last season.

Senior guards Shelly Martin and Abby Henry return to a Northwest team that made the Final Four for the first time in school history, but feel little pressure coming into the season.

"Last year was great, and I'm sure there is a lot of expectations on us, but we have a lot of young and new people," Martin said. "I think we are going to surprise a lot of people because we have so many young and new people. It should be fun."

"I personally don't feel any pressure. I think it's great that people are going to come out and support us and have expectations. Hopefully

we will run with it and have fun."

As the defending MIAA champions, Northwest looks to keep the wins coming and pass it on to the next group.

"It was a very good experience, something you want to do again and again," Martin said. "We definitely have that mentality now, and we want to pass it on to our players as soon as possible."

The 'Cats lost 46.2 points per game with the graduation of Gabby Curtis, Kyla Roehrig and Genry Dietz, but with the help of underclassmen with college experience and up-and-coming freshmen, Henry expects the points to keep coming.

"This year, we really want to push the ball," Henry said. "We have so many fast guards on our team; we think we can outrun people."

With all the new players and the new style of play, Northwest will have to wait awhile for everything to gel and to get back to last year's level of consistency.

"We definitely don't have 6'3 and 6'5. We

have 5'10 and 6'1, so they are going to contribute differently," Martin said. "We have a different style than we did last year of just lobbing it up in the air. Once we figure out the different styles of them, it will be fine."

Head coach Gene Steinmeyer is expecting big years out of his seniors and for their maturity to spread throughout the squad for the team to be successful.

Henry and Martin have played together since they were 14 and developed a chemistry that started before they donned the Bearcat uniforms.

"(Martin) is by far and away the person I trust most out on the floor," Henry said. "I can drive, and it's kind of like a sixth sense; I know where she is going to be. We have a real good rapport and chemistry."

In the first game of the season, Martin and Henry were able to find their offensive grooves, combining for 50 of the team's 72 points in the loss to Division I University of Missouri-Kansas City.

'Cats pull away in 2nd half, win home opener

Cooper, defensive effort spur 31-point blowout for Northwest in 2nd game against small team

JASON LAWRENCE

Sports Editor

Defense was the tag word following Northwest's 74-43 home-opening win over Waldorf College Tuesday night.

"That would be our overall mindset as a team – defense," junior point guard DeShaun Cooper said. "If you don't score, you can't win the game. We feel if we just hold the offense to a minimum and we score, we'll always win the game."

The 'Cats rode a big second half from sophomore center Dillon Starzl and junior guard Alex Sullivan to pull away from the Warriors.

Northwest fed the ball inside to Starzl, who scored all 11 of his points in the second half.

"We knew they were a little smaller than us, being a smaller school, so we just wanted to try and get it in the paint," Starzl said. "The first half it was partially my fault because I wasn't demanding the ball and sealing as hard as I was in the second half."

The Bearcats opened the game on an 8-0 run, fueled by a pair of three-pointers by Cooper.

Waldorf chipped away at the lead and cut it to 10-9 at the under 15 minute media timeout.

"The first half, I thought we had a lot of game slippage," McCollum said. "We just weren't playing our

game.

"With that game slippage, you see a totally different team than you do in practice. The good thing is we turned it around second half."

The 'Cats and Warriors traded baskets until a layup by Waldorf's Greg Howell and a free throw by Jeremy Gerardo gave the Warriors a 26-25 lead with three minutes remaining.

Junior guard Bryston Williams gave Northwest the lead back for good on a three-pointer with 1:32 remaining in the first half.

The Bearcats closed the half with a 6-0 run, taking a 31-26 lead into the locker room. Cooper led all scorers with 11 points at the break.

Northwest opened the second half on a 19-6 run, pushing the lead to 50-32 on a pair of free throws by junior guard Alex Sullivan with 12 minutes remaining.

"Second half we got after them and came out strong on defense," Starzl said. "That's what we do – play defense."

The defense clamped down in the second half, holding the Warriors to 20 percent shooting from the field.

"We picked it up on defense," Cooper said. "When we picked it up on defense, it just picked up our offense because they couldn't score. We didn't have to worry about nothing, so it was just less pressure on us to score."



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Junior guard DeShaun Cooper leaps for a loose ball in the 'Cats' 74-43 victory over Waldorf College. Cooper had a team-high 15 points in Tuesday's win.

The 'Cats pushed their lead to 63-38 with 6:15 left in the game on Cooper's final two points of the night.

Cooper and Sullivan each scored a team-high 15 points in the game.

Sullivan scored 10 of his 15 in the second half.

"He came out and played really well. He's been playing defense in practice. That's what got him in the lineup," McCollum said. "I knew he could play offense, but he started guarding in practice and heating up the ball a little bit, so we gave him an early look, and he played really well."

Northwest finished the game the same way it started it, on an 8-0 run. Freshman forward Grant Cozad hit a pair of free throws and on the next possession, junior guard DeAngelo

Hailey slammed home a dunk off of an offensive rebound.

Senior guard Jake Petersen hit a three with a hand in his face and followed it up by lobbing a pass to Hailey for the alley-oop slam to close out the game.

"We've got that mentality of imposing our will, and we've got to continue to do that," McCollum said.

McCollum and the 'Cats are back in action tomorrow and Saturday at the Hillyard Classic in St. Joseph.

Northwest takes on Rockhurst at 5:30 p.m. Friday and faces William Jewell at 6 p.m. Saturday.

"We just have to do what we did in the second half here," Starzl said. "Get it in the paint, play our defense, just do all of the little things right."



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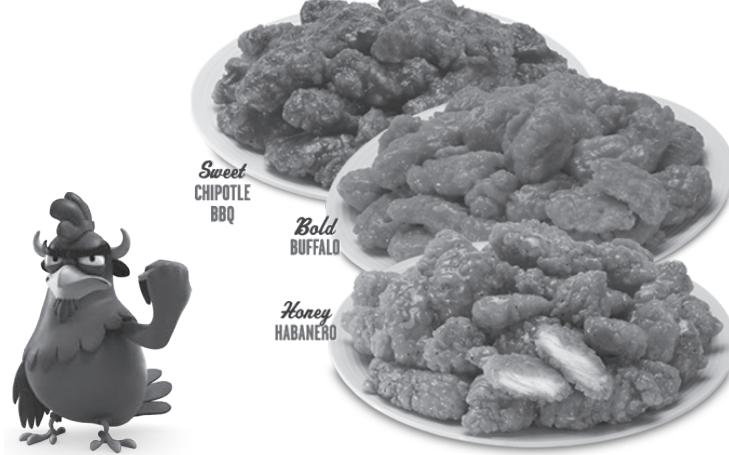
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Walter, Baker lead rebuilding

JASON LAWRENCE

Sports Editor

Rebuilding is never a label any team likes to have, but that is exactly what faces the Maryville boy's basketball team and head coach Mike Kuwitzky.

"We're going to have to start from scratch," Kuwitzky said. "We've got a couple people back that played quite a bit, but everybody else is going to be new."

The Spoofhounds lost six seniors from last season's 16-10 squad that lost in Districts to Cameron and All-State forward Mitch Hatten.

Most notably, the 'Hounds lost All-District guard Tyler Peve, who led the team in scoring.

Maryville also lost most of their height to graduation and will be even smaller than last season, putting a premium on perimeter defense and denying the ball inside.

"We don't have a lot of size, we lost all the size we had," Kuwitzky said. "We didn't have a lot last year. We have even less now."

"We're going to have to really get after people on defense and make it hard for them to get the ball inside against us on defense. We're not going to have a big, strong presence inside, so we're going to have to spread people out and get great ball movement."

The 'Hounds will have to rely more heavily on senior guard Tyler Walter and junior guard Jonathan Baker to play a bigger role this season.

"JB and Tyler Walter, they're really good players," Kuwitzky said. "They're back and we're expecting a lot of things from them."

Both players just got to practice, taking the first week of practices off to rest after the football season ended with a 21-2 loss to defending state champion Richmond Nov. 7.

"Now we're at a point where we're working really hard with the younger people," Kuwitzky said. "I'm getting really excited to have everybody back."

Kuwitzky also expects se-



FILE PHOTO | NW MISSOURIAN

Senior guard Tyler Walter dips past a Smithville defender last season at Maryville High School. Walter is the leading returning scorer for the 'Hounds.

niors Eric Martin and Payton Scarbrough to step in and play big roles for the Spoofhounds this season.

Kuwitzky said every player on the team from, freshmen to var-

sity, need to improve prior to the season and during it to be suc-

cessful.

"We need to build. We need a lot of fundamental improvement," Kuwitzky said. "We really need to get strong. All our players need a lot of development. Right now we're just breaking it down to individual fundamentals and

then build a team."

The 'Hounds get their first chance to see where they stand and how much they have to improve Nov. 28 at the Savannah Tournament.

"We have the Savannah Tournament right off the bat and there's really good teams in that, so we're going to find out right away strengths and weaknesses in that week."

Maryville's home opener is set for 5 p.m. Dec. 8 against Midland Empire Conference foe Benton at Maryville High School.

'Hounds ready to get season started

DALTON VITT

Chief Reporter

The Maryville girl's basketball team will tip off its season against Chillicothe in the Savannah Tournament Nov. 28.

Head coach Grant Hageman believes the season opener will be a challenge, but says his team is prepared.

"We played Chillicothe last year at home, and it was one of the better games we played all year," Hageman said. "But I know they've improved, so we look forward to playing them."

Hageman also said the Lafayette game that will be played Dec. 6 is a big game for his team, as well.

"(Lafayette) is a really fast team, and they're getting a lot better," Hageman said. "That's going to be a really good match-up early on to figure out where we're at."

Maryville has big expectations this season, but Hageman said they are no different than any other season.

"Our expectations are the same as they are every other year," Hageman said. "Every year we try to go out and be conference champs and district champs, and then we have some smaller goals along the way."

In order to reach those expectations, the Spoofhounds will have a couple of hills to climb.

The Hounds are only returning three major contributors from last season, seniors Brooke Byland, Holly Wilmarth and Hailey Roush.

"(Byland, Wilmarth and Roush) will have to carry us," Hageman said. "So it's just a matter of some other girls getting out there and getting some experience."

Maryville also has several younger players that Hageman believes will be able to step up and have an impact for the Spoofhounds.

Hageman's other major concern is his team's lack of height, which will affect rebounding.

"Last year, we had Taylor Gadbois who averaged 10 or 12 rebounds a game," Hageman said. "Now we don't have that girl around anymore, so now some-



FILE PHOTO | NW MISSOURIAN

Senior guard Hailey Roush drives past a Hogan Prep defender on her way to the hoop last season. The team will depend heavily on Roush this season to score after losing a large senior class to graduation following last season.

body else has got to step up."

However, that lack of height could possibly give the Spoofhounds an advantage in a different aspect of the game.

"We've played a seven or eight man rotation the last couple of years," Hageman said. "But now we have the possibility of playing a nine or 10-man rotation. We can play more girls and play a little faster, so we'll see if that style of

play will benefit us more or not."

Although Hageman knows his team will have a season full of challenges, he still believes the very first game will be the toughest.

"We've got a lot to figure out as far as what this team can and can't do," Hageman said. "Starting with a MEC school with Chillicothe and then Lafayette, those are tough games out of the chute."



FILE PHOTO | NW MISSOURIAN

Junior Jordan Zech rolls an opponent onto his back at the Quad State Classic at Maryville High School last season. Zech placed second in the 160 lb. weight class at the event and went 40-6 on the season.

Wrestling still looking for numbers

CRAIG SIMS

Missourian Reporter

With a lot of uncertainty heading into the season, Maryville head coach Joe Drake and the wrestling team began practicing in full swing last week.

Adding to the uncertainty, is the fact that the football players are just now able to start practicing, which does not help lift any concerns about the team's youth.

"We will be pretty young this year, so our number one goal right now is to be competitive," Drake said. "We are going over a lot of the fundamentals right now, reviewing some of the things we covered in the past to get everyone on the same page."

Juniors Jordan Zech and Derek Stiens, along with sophomore Logan Coleman, are the most notable returners for the 'Hounds.

Zech is a two-time state qualifier with a record of 40-6 in the 160 pound weight class. Stiens

and Coleman are both state qualifiers from last season. Stiens has a record of 32-14 in the regular season in the 140 pound class. Coleman's record is 26-17 in the regular season in the 119 pound class.

The Spoofhounds lost one wrestler to graduation, state qualifier Will Twaddle, who now plays football for the Bearcats. Twaddle's record in the regular season was 32-10 in the 152 pound class.

With 14 total weight classes that range from weights of 106 pounds to 285 pounds, Maryville struggled at times last year to fill out a full lineup card, especially at the lower weight divisions.

"One of the biggest things we will focus on this season is to get the numbers back up to fill the weight classes," Drake said. "Once we have an idea of how many weight classes we will fill, it will give us a better idea of what we can expect out of our group this year."

The Spoofhounds finished last season with a record of 9-11 overall, toward the bottom of the Midland Empire Conference.

"The wrestlers we had last year were competitive, we just have to get those numbers back to where they should be in order to be competitive as a whole team," Drake said.

The 'Hounds wrestling season begins at the Bedford/Lenox Tournament at 10 a.m., Dec. 10 in Lenox, Iowa, giving Drake his first look at the full team.

"At this point there has not been much discussion about the first match," Drake said. "We are reteaching things to get to where we want to be."

Maryville hosts its first home dual of the year Jan. 10 with Rockport and Albany (Neb.) coming to Maryville High School.

The only other home meet of the year is on Jan. 28 as the Spoofhounds host the Quad State Classic Tournament.

Maryville Boy's Basketball				
Date	Time	Level	Opponent	Site
11/28/2011		Varsity	Savannah Tourn.	Savannah
12/6/2011	4:45 pm	F/JV/V	Clarinda	Clarinda, Iowa
12/8/2011	5:00 pm	JV/Varsity	Benton	Maryville
12/13/2011	7:00 pm	Varsity	South Harrison	Maryville
12/15/2011	7:00 pm	Varsity	Jefferson	Conception Jct
12/22/2011	5:30 pm	Varsity	NCMC Shootout	Trenton
12/23/2011	7:00 pm	Varsity	NCMC Shootout	Trenton
1/6/2012	5:30 pm	JV/Varsity	Savannah	Maryville
1/10/2012	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	Chillicothe (Conf)	Chillicothe
1/12/2012	5:30 pm	JV/Varsity	Auburn (Neb.)	Maryville
1/13/2012	4:30 pm	JV/Varsity	Falls City (Neb.)	Maryville
1/16/2012		Varsity	Bashor-Linwood Tourn.	Basehor, Kan.
1/24/2012	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	Lafayette (Conf)	Maryville
1/26/2012	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	East Buchanan	Maryville
1/31/2012	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	LeBlond (Conf)	Maryville
2/3/2012	5:30 pm	JV/Varsity	Smithville (Conf)	Smithville
2/7/2012	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	Mid Buchanan	Maryville
2/10/2012	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	Benton (Conf)	St. Joseph
2/17/2012	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	Savannah (Conf)	Savannah
2/21/2012	5:30 pm	JV/Varsity	Cameron (Conf)	Maryville
2/27/2012	TBA	Varsity	Districts	Plattsburg
3/7/2012	TBA	Varsity	Sectionals	TBA
3/10/2012	TBA	Varsity	Quarterfinals	TBA
3/15/2012	TBA	Varsity	State	Columbia

Maryville Girls' Basketball

Date	Time	Level	Opponent	Site
11/28/2011		Varsity	Savannah Tourn.	Savannah
12/6/2011	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	Lafayette	Maryville
12/9/2011	6:00 pm	JV/Varsity	Hamilton	Maryville
12/13/2011	5:30 pm	Varsity	South Harrison	Maryville
12/15/2011	6:00 pm	Varsity	Jefferson	Conception Jct
12/28/2011		Varsity	LeBlond Holiday Tourn.	St. Joseph
1/6/2012	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	Lafayette (Conf)	St. Joseph
1/9/2012	5:30 pm	JV/Varsity	Savannah	Savannah
1/13/2012	4:30 pm	JV/Varsity	Falls City (Neb.)	Maryville
1/17/2012	5:00 pm	JV/Varsity	Auburn (Neb.)	Maryville
1/19/2012	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	Clarinda (Iowa)	Maryville
1/23/2012	5:00 pm	JV/Varsity	Notre Dame De Sion	Kansas City
1/30/2012	5:30 pm	JV/Varsity	Lathrop	Lathrop
2/2/2012	5:30 pm	JV/Varsity	Smithville (Conf)	Maryville
2/7/2012	5:00 pm	JV/Varsity	Chillicothe (Conf)	Chillicothe
2/9/2012	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	Benton (Conf)	Maryville
2/14/2012	5:30 pm	JV/Varsity	Nebraska City (Neb.)	Nebraska City
2/16/2012	5:00 pm	F/JV/V	Savannah (Conf)	Maryville
2/21/2012	5:30 pm	JV/V	Cameron (Conf)	Cameron
2/23/2012	5:30 pm	Varsity	LeBlond (Conf)	St. Joseph
2/27/2012		Varsity	Districts	Plattsburg
3/7/2012		Varsity	Sectionals	TBA
3/10/2012		Varsity	Quarterfinals	TBA
3/16/2012		Varsity	State	Columbia

Pair of seniors lead young track team

JASON KRAFT

Missourian Reporter

The beginning of the winter marks the start of the indoor track season as well as a reunion between distance runners and sprinters and field event participants.

Running is the only athletic event that is represented in every sports season. Cross country in the fall, indoor track in the winter, and outdoor track in the spring.

"As a coach we have to look at the entire year as one cycle," head coach Scott Lorek said. "From a training perspective, we do want to burn out our runners and try to make sure they peak late in the springtime."

Lorek has been coaching cross country and track at Northwest for eight years. Overall he has been coaching at the college level 28 years.

Training for track is very different than most other sports because each event is quite different.

"Our distance runners prepare by running cross country," Lorek said. "All our other athletes started their workouts pretty much right when they got on campus."

The men placed fifth in the conference at last year's MIAA conference meet.

Their major competition comes in the form of defending indoor champions Central Missouri, which has won 10 of the last 11 outdoor track championships.

Senior hurdler Tyler Shaw played a big part in many of the

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Scott Lorek

points earned by the 'Cats last year.

Shaw is a combined six-time All-American in indoor and outdoor track, and holds the Bearcat record in the both the 60M and 110M hurdles. Last year, Shaw placed third at the NCAA Championships in the 110M hurdles.

The women finished in ninth place in the conference last year.

Lincoln University won the MIAA Conference meet last year in their first year in the conference.

Senior thrower Kate Walter is returning after redshirting last year. Lorek said she is the Bearcats highest rated athlete nationally.

Walter holds the Northwest records in both the hammer throw and weight throw.

Despite the senior leaders, the 'Cats have a pretty young team on both sides. Lorek is excited to see them preform this winter.

"Our goal is always to do better," Lorek said. "We had a lot of people graduate the last two years and we are really looking to develop a lot more."

The track schedule still has not been finalized, but the team usually begins competing in early December.

Northwest Women's Basketball

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Nov. 11	Missouri-Kansas City	Kansas City, Mo.	4 p.m.
Nov. 15	Northeastern State (Okla.)	Tahlequah, Okla.	6 p.m.
Nov. 18	William Jewell	Maryville, Mo.	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 19	Missouri Valley	Maryville, Mo.	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 24	vs. St. Augustine's	Honolulu, Hawaii	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 25	vs. Hillsdale	Honolulu, Hawaii	5:00 p.m.
Nov. 30	Emporia State*	Maryville, Mo.	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 3	Washburn*	Maryville, Mo.	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 7	Pittsburg State*	Maryville, Mo.	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 10	at Nebraska Omaha	Omaha, Neb.	1:00 p.m.
Dec. 17	at Fort Hays State*	Hays, Kan.	2:00 p.m.
Dec. 30	at Lincoln*	Jefferson City, Mo.	5:00 p.m.
Jan. 4	at Missouri Western*	St. Joseph, Mo.	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 7	Truman*	Maryville, Mo.	1:30 p.m.
Jan. 11	at Central Missouri*	Warrensburg, Mo.	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 14	Southwest Baptist*	Maryville, Mo.	1:30 p.m.
Jan. 18	at Missouri Southern*	Joplin, Mo.	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 22	at Emporia State*	Emporia, Kan.	1:30 p.m.
Jan. 25	at Washburn*	Topeka, Kan.	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 28	Fort Hays State*	Maryville, Mo.	1:30 p.m.
Feb. 1	Northeastern State (Okla.)	Maryville, Mo.	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 4	at Pittsburg State*	Pittsburg, Kan.	1:30 p.m.
Feb. 8	Lincoln*	Maryville, Mo.	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 11	Missouri Western*	Maryville, Mo.	1:30 p.m.
Feb. 15	at Truman*	Kirksville, Mo.	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 18	Central Missouri*	Maryville, Mo.	1:30 p.m.
Feb. 21	at Southwest Baptist*	Bolivar, Mo.	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 25	Missouri Southern*	Maryville, Mo.	1:30 p.m.
March 1-4	MIAA Tournament	Kansas City, Mo.	TBD

Northwest Men's Basketball

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Nov.			